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Case No. 99-CV-3047

STIPULATION FOR DISMISSAL OF CLAIMS AGAINST E. MERCK, MERCK KGAA AND EM INDUSTRIES, INC. WITH PREJUDICE

In accordance with Rule 41 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs NBTY, Inc., Rexall Sundown, Inc., Twin Laboratories, Inc., Perrigo Company, Natural Alternatives International, Inc., Nutraceutical Corporation, Makers of Kal, Inc., Leiner Health Products Inc. and Weider Nutrition Group, Inc. (collectively "Plaintiffs") and Defendants E. Merck, Merck KGaA and EM Industries, Inc. stipulate and agree to the dismissal, with prejudice, of Plaintiffs' claims in each of the above-captioned Lawsuits against E. Merck, Merck KgaA and EM Industries, Inc. only. This dismissal with prejudice is without prejudice to Plaintiffs' claims against any other Defendants or alleged co-conspirators in the abovecaptioned cases. A proposed Order of Dismissal With Prejudice accompanies this Stipulation as Exhibit

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Case No. 99-CV-2682

Leiner Health Products Inc. v. F. Hoffmann-LaRoche Ltd., et al,

Case No. 99-CV-3047

ORDER OF DISMISSAL OF E. MERCK, MERCK KGAA AND EM INDUSTRIES, INC. WITH PREJUDICE

AND NOW, this _____ day of ______ 2000, upon consideration of the foregoing stipulation by Plaintiffs and Defendants E. Merck, Merck KGaA and EM Industries, Inc.

Ordered that the foregoing stipulation of Plaintiffs and Defendants E. Merck, Merck KGeA and EM Industries, Inc. to dismiss with prejudice Plaintiffs' claims in the above-captioned cases against Defendants E. Merck, Merck KGeA and EM Industries, Inc. is hereby Accepted. Accordingly, the claims in the above-captioned cases of Plaintiffs NBTY, Inc., Rexall Sundown, Inc., Twin Laboratories, Inc., Perrigo Company, Natural Alternatives International, Inc., Nutraccutical

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Corporation, Makers of Kal, Inc., Leiner Health Products Inc. and Weider Nutrition Group, Inc. against Defendants E. Merck, Merck KGaA and EM Industries, Inc. are hereby dismissed with prejudice. This Order is without prejudice to Plaintiffs' claims against any other Defendants or alleged co-conspirators in the above-captioned cases.

United States District Judge

cc: Counsel for Settling Plaintiffs shall serve conformed copies of this Order to all counsel of record in MDL No. 1285 through Verilaw